

REMARKS

The present amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action dated August 13, 2007, which set a three-month period for response, making this amendment due by November 13, 2007.

Claims 1-7 are pending in this application.

In the Office Action, the drawings were objected to under 37 CFR 1.84(p)(3) and (m) on ground in Fig. 2, the characters, numbers and letters are not all at least 1/8 inch in height and the figure contains solid black shading. Claim 4 was objected to for an informality. Claim 6 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. Claims 1-6 and 8 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,234,150 to Watanabe.

The Applicant notes with appreciation the allowance of claim 7 if rewritten in independent form to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Looking first at the objection to Fig. 2, attached herewith is amended Fig. 2 which has been corrected to address the informal matters raised in the Office Action.

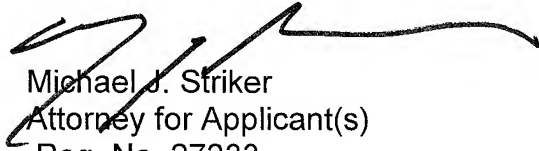
Claim 4 has been amended to delete reference numeral 16, and claim 6 was amended to change "the rail pressure" to "a rail pressure".

In light of the allowance of claim 7, claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the features of claim 7, thus rendering claim 1 allowable. Dependent

claims 2-6 also now stand in condition for allowance, as each of these claims depends ultimately from amended claim 1. Claim 8 was canceled.

The application in its amended state is therefore believed to be in condition for allowance. Action to this end is courteously solicited. Should the Examiner have any further comments or suggestions, the undersigned would very much welcome a telephone call in order to resolve any additional matters in order to expedite placement of the application into condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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